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Warren D. Couch Is New Registrar

Mr. Warren David Couch was born in Hampton, Georgia, in 1927. He attended West Georgia College, received his A. B. from Piedmont College and his M. A. from the University of Georgia. His major is English, but he prefers English Literature to English Composition.

Before Mr. Couch came to Louisburg, he taught in a high school at Edison, Georgia. He taught four English courses, and one history course.

When asked why he came to Louisburg College, Mr. Couch replied, "There was a job open here, and I thought the combination of English teacher and registrar was a nice change."

Mr. Couch said he could not see any striking differences between our campus and other campuses and he also commented, "This is a very fine place, which I like very much. Everyone seems to be very enthusiastic."

As a hobby, Mr. Couch likes fresh-water fishing, but he does not particularly care for sports of any kind. When it is not possible for him to fish, Mr. Couch likes to read.

Mr. Couch hopes to do some graduate work in English at the University of Georgia soon.

I think we will all agree that Mr. Couch is a worthy asset to our college administration.

Mr. Holton Makes Talk on Colleges

In observance of Christian Education week, Mr. Holton spoke in Chapel, Oct. 19. His topic was the colleges in North Carolina and the facts about them.

There are fifty-nine colleges in North Carolina. Of these, thirty-four are senior and twenty-five are junior. Of the senior colleges, twelve are state schools and twenty-two are private. Of the junior colleges, four are state operated and twenty-one are private. Of the twelve senior colleges operated by the state, six are white, five Negro, and one Indian. North Carolina is significant in the fact that in it is the only senior Indian college in the United States, Pembroke. There are four junior state colleges. Three of them are white and one Negro.

There are sixteen state colleges and forty-three private. Of the private schools, only four are not church operated; one senior and three junior. These are Oak Ridge, Pineland, EMI, and Black Mountain.

The Presbyterians head the list of church schools with eleven; six senior and five junior. The Baptists come in second with eight: three senior and five junior. The Methodists have seven colleges; four senior and three junior. There are two Lutheran schools; one senior and one junior. There is one senior Catholic college and two junior. The Congregational-Christian Church has one college, Elon. The Disciples, Reformed, Friends, Moravians, and A.M.E. all have one college each.

Mr. Holton also informed us
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Speaker Discusses European Education

Dr. Blumenfeld, head of the foreign language department here at Louisburg College, spoke about education in Germany and France in chapel on October 8.

She stated that though there are differences in education systems from country to country and though there may have been changes in recent years, the main principles have not changed.

Kindergarten comes first, as in the American school system. Then compulsory elementary education begins at six and lasts until one is fourteen. In both Germany and France, one may pay tuition and go to special schools.

Those who have attended the secondary schools are given a final examination at the age of 19. The written exam lasts about five days; and if a student doesn't make at least a B, he has to take the oral test. If this is satisfactorily passed, the student then receives a certificate which indicates that he is ready for university work.

General Education

The student who enters the university is expected to have a well-rounded general education, to be able to handle his mother tongue intelligently, to be ready to do independent thinking, and to be prepared to go to the sources for his particular field of study. Every university comprises a number of departments called faculties, which are: science and humanities, law, medicine, pharmacology and theology. The student enrolls immediately in the faculty of his choice.

There is no "credit system," and there is nothing that corresponds to it. The courses are usually concerned with a specific and limited subject and serve as a model for the student's own study rather than an outline or survey in the field.

A course in a European university is a series of lectures or exercises to guide a student in his preparation for a general final examination, on which the success or failure in getting his degree depends. In Europe, students do not have to attend classes; they have only to prove that they have mastered the course.

Dr. Blumenfeld's course included nine years of French, seven years of English, and six years of Latin.

Honor Students Listed

Honor Roll

R. A. Baxley, Jr. 2.78

Honorable Mention

Jackie Farrow 2.47
Rae Harris 2.41
Alice Lea Dennis 2.40
Sue Manning 2.33
Ellen Marks 2.28
Libby Broome 2.28
Phillip Bunn 2.12
Lucy Burgess 2.00
Weldon Lucas 2.00

Those students who returned to Louisburg that made the honor roll and honorable mention the last quarter of the second semester of the college year, 1952-53.

Dean Bethea Describes Recent European Trip

Speaker Challenges Louisburg Students To Give Assistance

Dean Mary Bethea visited Austria and Germany this past summer with the Caravan of the North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Church. A caravan has been to Austria and Germany for four summers.

The purpose of the Caravan is to bring about understanding between youth of the United States and those young people of Germany and Austria and to provide an opportunity to share Christ with them. Thus as she explained, "We believe that we are opening ways for peace in our world. To live, to worship, to play, to pray, and to share Christ with others binds us together."

Caravan Work

Primarily centered in the Caravan Methodist Church of Linz, Austria, is the caravan work she describes as "an adventure in faith that was becoming a reality." Pastor Ernest Nausner, a quite courageous man who began to work and plan for a church, stands amidst a group of refugees and leads them forward in faith. The Caravan Methodist Church, which derived its name from the groups of young people from America coming as a caravan to help make the Church a reality, is to be dedicated Sunday, Nov. 1. Dean Bethea said that the work of the caravan in Austria included services of various types in the cities of Bregenz, Vienna, and Salzburg.

In the people of both Austria and Germany there can be seen a faith in God that has been



Miss Mary E. Bethea

their source of strength through the difficult situations of the past few years. Dean Bethea went on to say that when one of them says, "Though they kill my body, they can never kill my soul," a person realizes how great their faith is.

In conclusion Dean Bethea said, "The needs of these people are great as far as food, clothing, and shelter are concerned. We on the Louisburg College campus can help meet these physical needs by sharing clothing and food packages with them. We can strengthen their faith by sharing with them a God whom we believe to be sufficient for our every need and by letting them know that we are concerned about them and that we do care and understand. Our care, understanding, and concern must be expressed in tangible ways. What are we going to do on this campus about the great need of these people?"

Local MYF Entertains Faculty, Student Body

The Methodist Youth Fellowship of the Louisburg Methodist Church entertained the faculty and student body of Louisburg College at an open house at the Church on Sunday night, September 20.

The students and faculty were given a most cordial welcome by Rev. E. R. Clegg, and the idea was expressed that everyone in Louisburg is ready to help in any way possible to make the year a successful one.

County Groups

Rather than having each person introduce himself, Taylor Dodson, who was in charge of the recreation, called for the people from the various counties to stand, after which several of the residents and businessmen of Louisburg were introduced. Emily Partin, president of the M. Y. F., introduced the various officers of the group.

Mr. Dodson led the group in fellowship singing, action singing, and group actions. The hostesses served punch from a punch bowl formed from a block of ice in the center of which had been frozen gladiolas. This was served with cookies.

IN MEMORY

The Rev. Edward Hill Davis, 93, died at Green Hill House, his home near Louisburg, Sept. 14. Rev. Davis at one time taught Bible here at Louisburg College; and his father, Mr. Matthew S. Davis was a former president of the College.

Rev. Davis desired to see the college used in the development of Christian character and life, as was indicated in many of his messages to the students at chapel. He was always very interested in the college, its history, and its future.

'Men of Tomorrow' Shown October 1st

A very impressive movie, *Men of Tomorrow*, was shown by the "Y," Thursday night, October 1. The movie showed the origin and background of the Y. M. C. A. It mentioned many activities which many of us did not know existed. The movie was thoroughly entertaining and informative.

If you missed this movie, be sure to come out to see the next one. We plan to have one a month.

New Students Feted by Faculty

The Louisburg College Faculty gave a formal reception in the Faculty Parlor and social hall to welcome new students on Tuesday, September 15, 1953.

The following formed the receiving line: President of Y. W. C. A., Miss Ellen Marks; President of Y. M. C. A., Robert Stainback; College President, Mr. S. M. Holton; Mrs. Holton; Dean of Men, Mr. A. G. Cowart; Mrs. Cowart; Dean of Women, Miss Mary E. Bethea; President of Women's Student Government, Miss Lucy Burgess; President of Men's Student Government, Paul Childers; Registrar, Mr. Warren D. Couch; Commercial Instructor, Mr. James Jones; Social Science Instructor, Mr. William C. Gretter, Jr.; and Mrs. Gretter.

At the refreshment table, new students were greeted by Dr. Ann Blumenfeld, Miss Ethel Finster, Miss Sarah Foster, Miss Ruth Merritt, and Mrs. E. R. Parks.

Social dancing was enjoyed by the students.

Homecoming Set For November 6-8

Many of the alumni will return to our campus for a weekend of various activities on Nov. 6-8.

Participating in chapel on Friday, Nov. 6, will be several members of the alumni. An Alumni Association meeting will be held at seven o'clock Saturday night. The alumni will also be recognized at the Methodist Church Service on Sunday morning.

The main event of the weekend, the Homecoming Dance, is being sponsored by the "Y." The dance will begin at nine o'clock and end on the stroke of twelve. A harvest scene is to be the theme for the dance. A six-piece band from East Carolina College will provide the music.

Three New Faculty Members Are Here

There are three new faculty members for the term of 1953-54.

Head of the Business Department is Miss Adelaide Johnson, Louisburg, a graduate of Louisburg College and Wake Forest College, with an M. A. degree from W. C. U. N. C. Assistant of the Business Department is Mr. James F. Jones from Wilmington, graduate of Elon College, with an M. A. degree from East Carolina College. The Registrar and assistant in the English Department is Mr. Warren D. Couch from Hampton, Ga. He is a graduate of Piedmont College, Ga., with an M. A. degree from the University of Georgia.

Skit Presented

A skit was presented to introduce the campus organizations to the new students on Thursday night, September 24, by the Y. W. C. A. and the Y. M. C. A. The characters and the organizations they represented are as follows: Jo Ellen Floyd, Junior Girl; Mar-
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